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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 777 By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sarah Ellen Morton, 2002 Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Ellen Morton is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, Ms. Morton has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Ellen Morton has been a valuable participant in many organizations and programs at Sevier County High School, including serving as a member of the Varsity Swim Club, where she served as team captain her Junior and Senior years; and

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WHEREAS, a highly regarded leader among her peers, Ms. Morton has been active in Young Life and Campaigners; she applied for, and was accepted for, a Work Crew position at Frontier Camp near Buena Vista, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, her extraordinary work ethic and commitment to learning has earned her numerous awards and honors, including the English Award her Junior year; she is also a member of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Ellen Morton is a member of Teen Board, and has been a member of the Art Club, American Field Service, and the Junior Classical League; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Sevier County High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, her family, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Ellen Morton's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Sarah Ellen Morton, on her impressive academic achievements and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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